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THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR ITS 2007 TEACHER GRANTS PROGRAM

Applications for the 2007 Teacher Grants from the Anderson Family Fund at The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) are now available, announced CFVI's President, Dee Baecher-Brown.

The Anderson Family Fund "Teacher Grants Program" provides funding on a competitive basis for projects that seek to improve student achievement. Individuals and partners may request **up to \$1,000** to implement an innovative project in their classrooms and schools. Grant awards must supplement school activities and resources, not replace local or federal funding.

Awards in the Anderson Family Fund "Teacher Grants Program" will range from **\$250 to \$1,000**. Up to \$20,000 in grants will be awarded. Teachers, assistant teachers and guidance counselors in the public school system of the US Virgin Islands are eligible to receive this funding.

Priority will be given to proposals where students are directly involved in the project, the project description is clear and well organized, creative strategies and activities are used to improve student learning, outcomes are measurable and substantive, the budget is realistic and the funds will be used efficiently.

All proposals must be submitted to CFVI no later than 5 PM, Friday, September 28, 2007. Applications can be downloaded from CFVI's website at www.cfvi.net.

Successful applicants must agree to submit a brief written report and, if possible, contribute visual documentation, on the use of the grant at the end of the funding period. Any applicant who was a recipient of a 2006 Anderson Teachers Grant must submit a brief written final report on the use of the 2006 grant in order to be eligible for a grant in 2007.

The Anderson Family Fund for Education was established at CFVI in 2002 to improve public education for economically disadvantaged children in the USVI by supporting educational enrichment programs unavailable as part of the regular school curriculum.

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